REMARKS

Applicants have elected the claims of Group I, claims 6-9, and have amended claim 10 to recite a method and to depend from claim 9 by way of the accompanying Supplemental Amendment, filed as a separate paper.

Favorable examination of the claims on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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